

PUBLISHED DAILY AND TRI-WEEKLY BY EDGAR SNOWDEN.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 17, 1879

The bill for the payment of arrears of pen sions, which passed the Senate yesterday, for the payment of pensions granted or that may be granted in consequence of the late war, removes the bar of five years' limitation upon the pre sentation of claims for such pensions, and will date the commencement of the pensions back to the time of death or discharge. As the bill had already passed the House by more than a two-thirds vote, and as only four Senators voted against it, a Presidential veto, though that is an impossibility, could not defeat it. It There were three indictments against him for will pay many, in one sum, the accumulated the murder of six persons. pensions for eighteen years, and will cost the tax payers about thirty millions of dollars, but as the country is rich and prosperous, and the people thereof almost exempt from taxation, this little additional sum will not be felt, espscially as a vote on it afforded so many of our national legislators an opportunity to show that, like the frank member of the House alluded to in our Washington correspondence department of the navy yard at Portsmouth, the other day, they will not allow themselves to be excelled in demagogism by any of their fellow members.

We suppose Mr. Windom, of Minnesota, who offered a resolution in the Senate, yesterday, in reference to the "migration" of the ne groes from the South to the States that are willing to receive them and that will protect them in their rights, was stimulated thereto by the knowledge that the day before sixty substantial white emigrants from his State had arrived at Knexville, Tennessee, for the purpose of settling in that immediate neighbor on Sunday last, by some means accidentally bood. As the knowledge of the attractions of fell, sustaining injuries from which he died in them, and though the South is anxious to re- box which was on the floor. He suffered intain all her people, white and black, will treat | tense pain for two or three hours, when death all alike before the law, and will do her utmost to foster and protest the interests of every man within her borders-as vouched for by the convantion of porthern settlers at Charlotte day before yesterday - she will make no opposition threw Mr. Hollar out of the sleigh. He fell to the proposed migration if it be effect by against the corner of a fence, the end of one such immigration as that from Minnesota to which we refer.

little attraction to radica's, and is no factor whatever in any of their calculations. In fact they ignore it to a ridiculous extent, as is well shown by the following two sentences, which are taken from two editorials in the same issue of age. of one of our stalwart Philadelphia exchanges: "The white democrats of the South are already in revolt against law, order and civilization."-"The ill will of the West for the North is not differently azimated, it never will be so felt, but a better comity will grow constantly benecreaders always vote.

Consistency is a jewel that possesses very

The Richmond State in noticing the removal of the Southern Churchman from this city to have received falls, and owing to their roundity that says: "Everybody and everything is coming to Richmond, and we are on the high road to metropolitan prosperity." Maybe so, and none rejoice at her prosperity more than ourselves, yet in the same paper we notice a paragraph giving the names of a number of mechanies of that city who are leaving for the gued in the affirmative, and Mesers. R. W. West. It looks as though more were going than coming.

The programme for the nomination of Grant by the republicans is being carried out to the letter. A resolution continuing a committee appointed last year to receive him upon his return to this country was presented at a meeting required of voters?" will engage the attention of the Philadelphia Common Council yesterday and adopted.

The February number of Scribner's Magazine has been received from its publishers, Scribner & Co., New York. Its contents are: The Tile Club at Play, The Glacier Meadows of the Sierra, To the Clergy, A Symposium on the Chinese Question, The Homes and Haunts of Emerson, "Haworth's," The For-tunes and Misfortunes of Company "C," Fal-conberg, The Doom of Claudius and Cynthis, John Lecch, Aerial Navigation, The Relations of Insanity to Modern Civilization, Potts' Painless Cure, Topics of the Time. Home and Society, Culture and Progress, The World's Work, and Bric a-Brac. The frontispiece is a likeness of Ralph Waldo Emerson, and many of the articles are beautifully and profusely

We have received from the same publishers the February number of St. Nicholas, which, if such a thing were possible, even excels its preceding numbers as a means for conveying useful and improving instruction to the young

From the publishers, J. W. Randolph & English, Richmond, Va., we have received a Edinburg, preparatory to their trial for fraucopy of "The Death of Death," or a study of dulent misapplication of the funds of the bank. God's holiness in connection with the existence of evil, in so far as intelligent and responsible beings are concerned, written by "an orthodox Layman." The book, which is very handsomely printed and bound, is divided into two parts, the first part being devoted to the problem that "evil is incapable of solution on the basis of a hopeless future punishment, or of annihilation," and the second part that evil "is capable of solution on the basis of future punishment not hopeless but reformatory." The author resided on Seminary Hill, near this city. from 1838 to 1843, and has written a most interesting book upon the subject of future punishment, which, at this time, is the theme of discussion in and out of the pulpit in this county and Europe. The book will doubtless attract attention and comment.

The subscription to the 4 per cent, bonds, yesterday, reached \$7,388,000, making a total of \$12,733,200 in the last two days.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The congressional committee on election out rages expects to conclude its labors in New Orleans by Saturday. The Louisiana Legislature balloted yester-

day for United States Senator, but without result. A caucus last night was also unsuccess ful in making a choice.

It is thought that the escaped Cheyennes will be able to reach the Sicux Indiace at the Rosebud Camp and incite them to join is a war against the whites.

Ex Secretary Robeson appeared in his own defence before the House Naval Committee yesterday, and made a long statement in refutation of the charges against him in connection with his management of the Navy Department. Gov. A. S. Marks, of Tennessee, was ita-augurated yesterday at Nashville. In his in-

augural address no reference was made to the State debt, but a message on that and other subjects will probably be sent in to day. The case of Mrs. Laura Cobb, at Norwich, Conn., charged with poisoning her hu-band, was given to the jury at 5:20 p. m., yesterday. The jary, at midnight, brought in a ver-

dict of murder in the second degree. The Catholic Telegraph, the official organ of the Cincinnati diocese, doubts the accuracy of the cable dispatch appouncing that the Pope is considering the question of a successor to Archbishdp Purcell, the resignation not having as

yet been accepted. S. D. Richards, the self-confessed murderer of several persons, was convicted at Meriden, Neb., yesterday, of murder of Peter Anderson, and sentenced to be hanged April 26.

Geo. G. Vest was last night nomicated for United States Senator for the long term by the democratic caucus of the Missouri Legislature, on the second ballot. The following was the the first ballot : Georgo G. Vest 61, Samuel Glover 42, John S. Phelps 41, ex Governor Hardin S, Thomas Allen 6, Laws 1.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

All workmen employed in the construction were yesterday suspended for the present. Mrs. Mary Cross, widow of the late Dr.

14th of January in Leesburg. N. B. Meade, eq., formerly of Winchester, and at one time editor of the Richmond Whig

House. Mr. George C. Round, radical, of Prince William county, announces himself a candidate for Congress in the First district. The election

takes place next Thursday. Samuel Sanger, who resided near Cross Keys, Rockingham county, while attending to some matter in the shed above his barn floor, the South spreads, the larger becomes the that all the ribs of one side were broken loose number of those who are taking advantage of from the spine. It is supposed he fell on a

came to his relief. One day last week, as Mr. Peter Holler, residing near Singer's Glen, in Rockingham co., was driving in a sleigh, the horse ran away, and while going at a tremendous rate of speed. of the rail, striking bim in the side of the face, breeking the jaw bone on one side of his cheek, and forcing its away through the face dislocated the jaw on the other side. The lower jaw was broken at the chip, and the bone so crushed as that nearly all the lower teeth came out. manner. Although the injuries are frightful, evident displeasure with which the President strong hopes are entertained of the recover of accepted his reception. The doorkeeper hear he unfortunate sufferer, who is about 60 years

Letter from Fairfax Court House.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. FAIRFAX, C. H., VA., Jan. 16, 1879,-The effects of the late oold spap are still visible, shared by the Scuth; and because the South is | though under the genial rays of a warm sun the | ice and snow are fast melting. Travel over cur roads has been very difficult and dangerous. forth." What influence can such papers have Some days ago Mr. Horton Spear, who lives with their thou-ands of readers? And yet that just north of our village, fell and fractured his they do exert some is shown by the way those skull. His condition for several days was considered very precarious, but he has now improved somewhat, and hopes are entertained of his speedy recovery. Several of our oitizens the cutside world might have thought that together with the Polar wave we were enjoying the lively joling of an infant carthquake.

The Fairfax Lyceum, a literary society of this place, held its regular weekly debate last Tues day evening, and discussed the question. Should exemption laws be abolished? Messrs. D. M. Chicester and Casius Carter ar-Moore and F. P. Berkley in the negative. After an interesting debate the question was decided in favor of the affirmative. The regular election of officers was held and G. P. Berkley was elected President, R. W. Moore, Treasurer, and Frank P. Berkley, Secretary. The next debate will be held on Tuesday evening and the question, "Should property qualification be of the society.

Next Monday will be County Court day. A colored man for stealing a horse will be indicted. Application will also be made to throw open the gates of the Little River Turnpike, thereby making that theroughfare a county read. Both sides intend to make a strong fight. Thomas Moore, esq., will represent the Turnpike Company, and Mesers. Turberville and Carter the others.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Yakoob Khan has fled from Cabul. Some 2,245 communists of Franch have been pardoned.

xact satisfaction. The Duke of Elinburg will shortly be appointed admiral on the Halilax, N. S., station.

Germany has sent two war versels to Samoa to

Passanante, who tried to kill King Humbert, is to have his mental condition looked into. By a collision on the Warsaw Railroad, within thirty miles of St. Petersburg, 20 persons

were killed and 32 injured. General Grant partook of a banquet in Paris last evening given in his honor by the President of the French Republic.

The directors of the defanct City of Glasgow Bank have been transferred to Colton jail, in

The Berlin Post reproduces the statement of the Cologne Gazatte that, according to the view now adopted by Prussia the Duke of Cumberland must renounce his hereditary claims to the throne of Brunswick, and as wel as that of Hanover, to obtain the restoration of his sequestrated property.

The political situation in France was excited all yesterday. The ministerial declaration, though fully recognizing the force of the recent elections as indicating popular adhesion to rapublican institutions, was coldly received by the "lett" in the Chamber of Deputies. In the Senate, however, it was obserred by all

Ashore.

LONDON, Jan. 17 .- The United States sailing ship Constitution, while on her -way from Have to New York, went ashore early this morning at Ballard's Point. Steamers have rison. It is reported that anarchy prevails at taken to secure a repeal of this obnoxious promorning at Ballard's Point. Steamers have rison. It is reported that anarchy prevails at vision as soon as practicable. Yours truly, R. E. WITHERS. been sent to haul her off.

FROM WASHINGTON.

SPECIAL TO THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 17. It seems to be the prevailing impression now that the Finance Committee of the Senate will report in favor of reducing the tex on tobacco paid the interest on the State bonds held by the ness as emphasis: that the southern republicans, including Bruce, the colored Senator from Mississippi, will vote for the 16 cents reduction, and if that be so the latter reduction will be adopted by the sale of the property of religious secieties, &c.; whole Senate. The bill as passed by the House will probably be amended in one or two other particulars, but whether so amended or not, it will have to go back to the House, as the time provided by the House for it to go into operation has expired, and its friends therefore are not conguine of its passage at this session.

The central executive committee of the Soniety of Friends, which has been in session in this city for the last two days, has adjourned. It adopted memorials to the President and Congress against the transfer of the Indian Bureau to the Wer Department, and for the demiciliation of the Indians on reservations inalianable for twenty five years, as the Iodiaus have so little appreciation of the value of land, or anything else, that they will sell it for the purpose of gratifying their slightest desire .-These memorials were presented to the Presi dent by C. Gillingham, of Fairfax county, Va., and Messrs, Cope. Morris and Rhodes, of Philadelphia. The President is opposed to the

Messrs, Gillingham and Jacob Troth, a delegation from the Mount Vernon Peace Society. accompanied by Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, called on the President resterday mercing in the interest of international arbitration instead of

Mr. Gillingham availed himself of the opportunity to say a good word for his friend Mr. Frank Miller, who is an applicant for a seat on the supreme bouch of the District of Columbia, made vacant by the resignation of Judge Olio. Judge Henry W. Thomas is another applicant for this position. It is understood that Mr. Hagner, of Aunapolis, stands the best chance of receiving the appointment.

The nomination of Messra, Vest, of Missuri, and Vance, of North Carolina, by the demo-William Cross, died on the afternoon of the cratic caucuses of the legislatures of these States, and of Mr. Platt by the republican cau cus of the Connecticut legislature for the Senate, which nominations are equivalent toelection, has moved with his family to Culpsper Court seem to afford satisfection to both political parties in Congress; at least such of the delegations from those States as your correspondent has taiked to upon the sail of so express them-

> It is understood here that some of the democratic Senators have determined to support Mr. Corkling in his present spiteful opposition to the President in regard to the New York custom house appointments. It is hoped for the credit and fair name of the South that none from that section may be so affected .-There are wheels within wheels, and though to these who from the very nature of the case can not be aware of the movements of the isper wheels, Mr. Hayes' actions may sometimes have appeared inimical to the South, these who know him best are confident that he is well disposed toward the people of that section, and that he has a heart responsive to human sympathies, neither of which assertions can be affirmed of Mr. Conkling.

The memorial services of the late Professor Henry, of the Smithsonian Lestitute, took place in the hall of the House last night in accordance with the programme announced in this correspondence yesterday. Senator Withers' address was eminently appropriate; was listened to with marked attention, and was admired by all of the immense crowd present. There was The lower jaw was mangled in a terrible some talk at the capitol this mercies about the the United States, but instead of the President the Supreme Court entered. This coused a general laugh, which hed not subsided when the same approprient was repeated, and the President enteriog amidst it, and sapposing that it was consioned by appending him as the President, flushed up considerably.

The application of Col. M. D. Ball for a gun boat for Alaska was presented through ex Congressman John Ambier Smith. The reasons for the application were that the mineral productions of the territory require protection, and that such is the need for the protection of the government officials at Sirka that these officials have to pay out of their own pockets for the services of two Indian watchmen.

Senator Whyte, of Maryland, says there is not one word of truth in the recently published statement that Col. Chatles Marshall, of Gov. Lee's staff, now a prominent lawyer of Mary land, intended joining the republican party. Senator Johnston was again prevented from occupying his seat to day by indisposition.

The Census Committee of the House met this morning and appointed a sub committee of three to set in conjunction with a similar committee on the part of the Secate in consid ering Mr. Cex's lately reported bill. It is the prevailing opinion that the bill will pass.

The Naval Committee was again in session this morning hearing evidence in defense of ex Secretary Robeson. The more the testimony however the more apparent becomes the crockedness of the acoused.

The Committee on Commerce was also in session and examined witnesses both for and against free ships. The sentiment of the House is evidently in favor of the latter.

The Judiciary Committee of the House this morning heard the wife of the Mayor of Salt Lake, Mrs. Williams, a widow of that city, and Mrs. Spencer, a lawyer of Washington, in furtherance of a memorial they presented for the passage of a bill condoning poligamy al ready consummated, as thousands of good and true women would be declared harlots and a greater number of legitimate children be declared bastards if the recent decision of the Supremo Court be carried into effect. They expressed the belief that I such a bill were passed no more polygamous marriages would take place in Utab.

Judge Harris, the sub committee of the judiciary, to whom was referred the Royall bill presented by Mr. Tucker, at the request of Gen. Hunton, for the extension of the jurisdiction of Federal courts will report adversely at the next meeting of the committee. The confirmation of Mr. Louis E. Payne, as

U. S. Distric: Attorney for Wyoming territory by the Senate, in executive session yesterday afternoon was done unanimously. In the Senate to day the credentials of G. S. Houston, Senator elect from Alabama, were

presented by Senator Morgan. Mr. Withers presented a petition from certain citizens of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, for the passage of the bill for the payment of arrears

of pensions, which passed yesterday. The House was occupied with the consideration of bills for private land claims.

The Alghan War.

LONDON, Jan. 17 .- A telegram from Candahar, dated on the Sih of January, says :-"The sun is setting, and the last troops of the advance of General Stewart's and General Biddolph's forces have filed out of the Cabul gate of Candahar. Crowds of people are lining the streets and covering the roofs to witness the magnificent procession of men and horses, all looking, however, in hard working condition. Not a shot was fired nor did any contretemps of any kind occur prior to entering the city. We have captured the post arriving from Herat for Mir Alzul, late Governor of Hybuznee, and off in November. The requisite steps will be

VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday a communication was received from the Auditor of Public Ac | To the editor of the Norfolk Virginian : counts in response to a resolution of the Senate calling for a statement of his reasons for having from 24 to 20 cents, and that the Senate will colleges of the State to the neglect of the

was ordered to be printed. Bills and resolutions were introduced and re requesting the Commissioner of Railroads to obtain from the various railroads a tabular statement of their charges for 1872 and 1873 for the transportetion of freights over their roads; to authorize the Virginia Savings Bank feature; in relation to the jurisdiction of county courts, and to amend the tenth and eleventh sections of chapter 180, of the Code in relation to fees of clerks of county, corporation and circuit courts.

A request from the Secretary of the Commonwealth asking authority to appoint an ad ditional clerk in his office was referred,

The report of the Committee on Public Institutions in relation to the treatment of conviots employed on the James River and Kanawha report sets forth that a sufficient quantity of quantity of clothing, but it was not kept as clean as it should have beer; the convicts were at tended by a physician appointed by the surgeon of the peritentiary, and when he was unavoidably absent, by a neighborhood physician; that until the 27th of February the sick had no hospital accommodations; the sickness which caused such a great mortality made its appearance among the prisoners in January; after 27th of February hospital quarters were furnished, and the quarters of the men kept thoroughly clean; and the men were not worked for several days. showing a decided diminution of the number of cases; "sixteen of the convicts died of diseases contracted on the esna; the remainder from various other causes." In concluding their report the committee say that they are satisfied hat "convicts will not be properly cared for when placed at the disposal of corporations or persons not pecuniarly responsible to the State for them and manner of their treatment," &c. No action was taken on the report.

The Senate joint resolution providing for submitting to the people for their approval or rejection any legislation that may be adopted by by the present General Assembly for the permanent settlement of the public debt, coming up as the special order, General Lee spoke in favor of the resolution. At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Hurt, of Halifex, moved to postpone further consideration until after the 15th of February.

Mr. Daviel said that he was on the point of moving an indefinite postponement, but would be willing to accept Mr. Hurt's proposition and he hoped that it would never be called up again. He thought it was an impracticable graposition to submit to the people.

The resolution was finally postposed till the 5th of February.

The vote by which the bill to allow any one to have his dog listed for taxation was rejected was reconsidered, the bill amended and then thrown, finally passed.

Bills were passed to authorize the Common Council of Danville to levy a special tax for the ject, which has been held by the constitutional purpose of paying the floating debt of said city and for public improvements; to incorporate the Dan Valley and Yadkin Narrow Gauge Railroad Company, and to authorize the Chesspeake and Ohio Railway Company to increase is capital stock.

resolutions were presented and referred to barrassment of the State. The tax-gathering coupon, —the cut worm of the revenues, appropriating them each year to it clf with impertisecreted his reception. The docksepar next lices and police justices; to amend the act to next disclaim of logislative authority—is a deportations of feeign until the question of tering the House announced the President of provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and keeping the reads in the accordance of the provide for working and the provide for working accordance of the provide for working accordan order; in reference to collection of the State revenue; authorizing county treasurers to ro war with the cherished English and American ceive and each warrants for teachers' pay, and to require the Auditor of Public Accounts to receive the same as money in sattlement; in relation to the ventilation and emstruction of mines in the State; to smead the Code in rela tion to published reports of the decision of the Court of Appeals, and to provide, by law, that no less escentially, distinctly and exclusively in the sale of real catate under decice of courts than tax bills; and what would be thought of a for the payment of debts that no sale shall be confirmed by the court unless it shall appear from said report that the same had sold for three fourths of its value; also, a politica of citizens of Caroline for the relief of J. P. Cornell, one of the sureties of J. R. Richerson Lite

treasurer of that county. Bills were reported from committees to amond section 8, chapter 25 of the criminal law in relation to fees of justices and other officers; to amend the Code in relation to the limitation of suits; in relation to lieus by judgment mortgages or deeds of trus'; to amend the Code in refereace to the enforcement of liens on cross bill; to amend the act relating to crimes and punishment; to provide for the revisal of the civil Code of this Commonwealth; for the protection | last night stood :- Howley, 72; Platt, 73; Jewof the iestitutions of the State, public trusts ell, 3; Harrison, 2. O. H. Platt, of Merideo, and funds; to amend the Code in reference to the admission of pupils to the Asylum for the Deaf

and Dumb. The Speaker appointed a committee of conference on the part of the House to consider the disagreeing votes of the two houses on Senate bill authorizing a lien on all property kept by the keeper of a livery stable or house or private entertainment to secure the payment of all

charges due for keeping the same. Resolutions were referred inquirying into the expediency of restoring the system of collecting the State revenue which prevailed before 1870, and to amend the Code so as to change the mode of summoning juries in cases of felony. The bill in relation to compensation of Commonwealth's Attorneys was passed. This bill reduces the pay of these officers.

The bill to rearrange the compensation of Tuesday next.

The House bill "to amend the act to iccorporate the Mount Vergon Ladies' Association of the Union, was rejected-ayes, 18; nocs, 79. Mr. Farr moved to reconsider. He explained pealed recently.

motion to reconsider was rejected.

The Mails.

WASHINGTON, Jap. 15, 1878. To the editor of the Lynchburg News : Your paper having exhibited great interest

in the effort being made to secure increased postal facilities for Lynchburg and other points in explanation of the difficulty which prevents the consummation of your wishes. The Postoffice Department is very willing to

seed the double daily, and Mr. Barbour and other railroad managers are willing to do all they can in the same direction. But most unfortunately the following proviso was appended to a bill which appropriated money to meet a. deficiency in the postal car service :

"Provided, That no increase in the postal car service beyond what existing on the first of there is nothing doing, but we quote nominally: December, eighteen hundred and seventy eight, Orange, Alexandria & Menassa...... 45 a 43 shall be made during the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy. pipe.

be increased, as the second mail train was taken

Judge Hughes on the Funding Bill.

NORFOLK Jap. 6, 1879. DEAR SIR : You ask whether I am correctly classed with the supporters of the Funding act of 1871. I will eus ver with as much frank-

Neither in its origin, nor at any period of its adopt that report, though it is asserted by some amount due to the public free schools, which bistory, nor now, have I approved, or do I ap prove of that messure. I refer particularly to that provision of the act by which the taxes of the State are appropriated for thirty years in ferred to amond the Code in reference to the advance to the payment of a preferred class of coupous, though their payment shall defeat other chigations ranked by the State Constitution as of equally high, or of higher, dignity. As early as the days of Magna Charta, and down through succeeding centuries to the present time, notably in their war with the Stuof Lynchburg to introduce a special savings acts, the English people have asserted the principle of the absolute power of each Parliament over the revenues raised by taxation during its own term of existence. That right of Parliament has been a fundamental canon of the constitutional law of England at all times: and is a cerdinal principle of our American

The right of each legislature to control the evenues of the State during the period of its service cannot, in my opinion, be taken away either by prerogative or contract, or any other Canal, was submitted by Mr. Quescaberry. The power or device, legislative, executive or judicisl The revenues of a State derived from food was furnished; that there was a reasonable taxation cannot be entailed by any legislation. They are a trust ford to be administered by each legislature on its own responsibility to the people. It is not competent for a preceding bedy to control a succeeding one by any coereive pre ensetment; er is any other mauner to impeach its fidelity to the public obligations.

The attempt of a legislature to obstruct the ower of its successors over the revenues for a ogle year, or for thirty years, in advance, is, in my judgment, violently ultra vir s, and es entially cull and void; nor can uny action of uch a body, designed to effect such purpose, be ralidated by any court whatever in the land. No State, it is true, has power by its legislaare or other organism, to impair the obligation ! contrac s which are legal and constitutional; but any stipulation of a legislature which it has an constitutional power to make, and which is in deregation of the equal constitutional powers of its successors, is not a contract, and does not bind its successors. The other party to uch a stipulation is bound to know that such a body acts ultra vires. That a legislature may ordain a contract in regard to other subjects I do not deny. But I do deny that any one leg-islature can "contract" away the prerogative control of succeeding legislatures over the levyog of taxes and the appropriation of revenues. I'm power of each legislature over the two subjects of taxes and revenues is exclusive, absolute, sovercigo, secred.

Whether such a stipulation shall be per ormed, is a legislative, not a judicial question. Each legislature is the sole judge for itself of the obligation of carrying out such a stipulation. The legislature of Virginia is virtually no Ryo effering. would be destroyed if that sacred canon of constitutional liberty, which gives to the lame diata representative legislature of the people he control of the revenues it raises by the tax-

ation which it imposes upon them, were over-

The coupon feature of the Fundier act is repugnant to the cardinal doctrine, on this substatesmen of England and America since the principles of popular liberty have had adve eates, defenders, or martyrs, in either emotry, Whether any legislature of Virginia shall deem changed, viz: 87890 for fair, 1028105 for primited bound by it, is only a moral question for and 108 for choice. Corn 38330, but hardly any its own decision, and not a legal question for thing doing. Oats 10,32, and Hye nominal the decision of any court whatever, So far from In the House of Delegates bills and approving the Funding Act, I have always reture, in the exercise of its highest constitutional function, to the power of the judiciary; and is at principle of the mutual independence of the loxislative, executive and judicial departments of government. Any measure which brings there crop New Orleans at from Gat? per lb. priedictions into conflict, and thrusts a court into real or colorable usurpation, is vicious in the

est degree. Appropriation bills are legislative preregtives. court which should issue its mandamus commanding a legislature to levy a tax to meet a public obligation imposed through the subterage of "contract?" Mor can it constitutionally intercent the legislative control when collected. lant as much opposed to such a thing as I am forcible readjustment and base money. Vhether any good can come to the State from opposing it now, is another question quite aside from that of ma manufacturing.

Yours sincerely,

Ro. W. Bughes. from that of its alleged inviolability which I

Connecticut Senatorship.

HARTFORD, CONN., Jan. 17.-The 35th bal lot for U. S. Scuator in the republican caucus was nominated on the 37th ballot. He is a prominent lawyer and is now the State's Attorney for New Haven county.

The cll saying, "opposition is the life of business," has not been sustained in one instance at least. Since the introduction of Dr. Boh's Cough Syrup all other cough remedies have been dead stock and the venders are in de-

HONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Business generally is very dull, and the suspension of navigation has a very depressing offect; yet some of our northern exchanges say that as compared with previous years, trade is less depressed, and on the disappearance of the treasurers was discus ed, but postponed till restrictions upon navigation and other causes incident to the season, the beginning of a full Spring trade is generally looked for, and we earnestly hope it may come. Hereabouts money matters are in statu quo, while in the "centres" the feature is the great abundance. Our Baltiappointed by the Governor their actual expen- more exchanges say that the amount of offerings ses, as had been allowed by a former law re- of money there, while large, is increased by circular proffers from other cities at extremely low The bill was discussed at some length by rates. The business demand is only moderate. Messre. Fair, Henry and Fauntlercy, but the | and the attention of investors and capitalists is turned to the stock market, in which the dealings are unusually large. The bulk of the transactions are in a class of bonds heretofore neglected to some extent, and prices show a marked improvement, closing with an active and quick inquiry. Money is easy in the New York market, with time loans at 2s3, and call loans 21a31 south, I hope you will publish this statement per cent. Government bonds are active. The changes yesterday consisted of a decline of 1 in 1857s, and an advance of 1 in the 4 per cents. State securities are firm, Virginia consols selling yesterday at 55, and coupons at 774 and 774, the latter 1 advance; peelers dull at 37a28, and the Black Scrip at 10a13. Railroad stocks quiet but firm; B & O common shares sold at 884 and 884, and the scrip at 881, both closing at 881 bid and SO asked, an advance of \$11. In local shares

December, eighteen hundred and seventy eight.

Orange, Alexandria & Manassa: 45 a 45 hall be made during the fiscal year ending former thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-line."

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ALEXANDEIA WHOLESALE PRICES. Flour, Fine. \$3 00 @ 3 25 Superfine 350 @ 3 75

0.93 398888 Choice Corn, white...... Yellow..... Corn Meal..... Date..... Butter, prime...... Common to middling..... Eggs Beef, country sides, per 1b..... Hogs 2 25 @ 0 80 @ Potatoes per bushel.

Eweet, per bbl.

Onions, per bush. 1 25 @ 1 to 0 65 @ 6 % 0 31 @ 0 4 0 10 @ 0 1 Western.....

........... 38333 Veal Calves...... Plaster, ground, per ton...... Ground, in bage or bbis... Lump 38886 0 85 1 80 Q. A. (Liverpool)..... Fine.
Turk's Island.
Wool, long unwashed.
Washed
Merino, unwashed. 0 22 69 0 10 10 6 Do. washed..... Sumac.....

9 00 (0 lisy..... The market closes quiet and generally il-Flour is unchanged, with light sales. Wheat firm and higher, and receipts have somewhat increased; the efferings to-day amounted to its bushels, and sales were made at 10%, 10% and 10% for Fultz, and 105, 103 and 1081 for Landards Corn is a shade lower; the offerings are fall and we note sales of 1500 bushels at 33, 41, 4 and 42 for common to good white, and 41 fe yellow. There was no Bye nor Oats offered, but the last sales reported were at our quotati ra Butter is quiet and unchanged. Eggs are some and firm at the recent advance. Potatoes at scarce and higher, and we quote at 9 later Dressed Hogs and Turkies are in light receipt Other country produce unchanged. Bacon i firm, with a shade advance. Clover Seed as Hay lower than our quotations for the past weet

RICHMOND MARKET, Jan'y, 16 -The mark shows no special features. Flour is duli at a \$5 25 for fine to fancy brands, the demand being very light. Receipts of Wheat very limite with small sales of Fultz red at 100a102. Ode: ings of Corn small, with sales of white at 41s.11 and mixed at 42. Very little doing in Gats and

LYNCHBURG MARKET, Jan. 16 - The market is very quiet, and the receipts of produce of kinds list. Flour 3a\$6 for line to fancy tames brands. Wheat is coming in very slowly, as quoted at S5s100 for white and red. Corn 35s4 for mixed and white. Oats 32:35, with ver limited offerings, and Ryo nominally 55ata

FREDERICKSBURG MARKET, Jan'y. 10 - 'Ilmarket is very quiet and dull, the suspension navigation effect ng business to a consideral extent. Flour is still quoted at 3 25 \$ 150 fine to choicert family brands. Receipt-Wheat light, and quotations are nominally a

Sugars-There is now no stock of raw Sugars-there is now no stock of raw Sugars-There is now in the sugar and sugar in the leans, and there is no prespect of any fresh in however, nominally as follows, viz: Fair to good refining 63:63; Cuba cestatifus:

BALTIMORE SUGAR AND COFFEE MARKET

74474; Porto Bico grocery 6747; Donestate centrifugal 7474; French Island 64-64, and see Coffee--We are again without transactions to note in Collee, but there is no change to note in the general condition of the market, and wstill write it dult and heavy for the low grade-though firm for the better qualities, which are wanted. The stock of Bio here in first handonly 16 (00 bsgs, but vessels with 10 024 bags ar below and unable to come up in consequence

the ice. We quote to day as follows, v.z.: Rio ordinary 10 hall; feir 141; good 15, as i prime 15lai6 per 16.

NEW YORK CATTLE MARKET, January In-Beeves - Receipts to-day 3,227 head. The market was somewhat irregular, but prices were lair Iv maintained and a clearance was made The range of prices was 71.01c, per pound, dressed Exporters used nearly 700 fat steers at Sialo ci-

per lb, dressed.
Calves.—Receipts to-day 240 head. Venls were a shade firmer at 52a74c, per 1b.; grassers dull at 21527c. Sheep and Lambs .- Receipts to-day 461

head. Demand very moderate, and prices had a downward tendency. Sheep said at 44 to 2 per lb; lambs at 47:65. Best offer for remay choica sheep was 51c Swine -Arrivals to-day 9,495 hogs. Live borwere steady at 3 30483 40 per 100 lbs., for fair to good cornfed. City dressed quoted steady at 4.44c. per lb. for catremes.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET, Jan'y, 16, 1578 Beef Cattle. - There were some threadr four carloads penned this morning by two of the dealer and but one buyer. Transactions were very limited and scarcely worth reporting.

Sheep.—The receipts since Monday aggregate nearly 500 hear, and trade is very dull with me

serious change in prices.-3144 cents as to quality. Swine.—Trade has been fair since Monday with receipts feeting up fully 2 600 head. Sale Monday, at 41 cts. The promise just now is that quotations will secreely go down, at least for the

present CHICAGO CATTLE MARKET, Jan. 16 - Hogs-Receipts, 40,000; shipments 3,000; market open ened strong and closed dull on common; pack ing at 2 00a\$2 90; good shipping, 2 95a\$3 15; light, 2 65a\$2 80. Cattle-Receipts, 4 0.6; shipments, 3,100; market setiments shipping, 410,85 t0; medium, 34),\$170; butchers' stock steady. Sheep-Receipts, 1,800; ship

ments' 1,000; market weak; 3a\$1. OUEENSTOWN CATTLE MARKET, Jan'y, 16 .-There were offerings of 208 head of Cattle, 175 of which sold at 314432 for Steers, and 21-32 to: Bulls and old Cows. 150 Sheep sold at 4a5c per lb. Milch Cows sold at 75 to \$50 each. Market fair.

CINCINSATI HCG MARKET, Jac. 16 .-

Hoga active, firm and higher; common 2 40a52 75; light, 2 80,\$3; packing 3a\$3 15; butchers', 3 251 \$3.35; receipts, 7,480; shipments, 1,400.

Baltimere, Jan'y. 17.—Virginia 63, old, — do deferred 7; do consolidated 517; do 21 aerie 37; past due coupons 77. Cotton firm, but quiet; middling % 01. Flour quiet and that Howard street and Western Super 2.75eS3.25t do Extra 3.50a\$10; do Family 4.50.\$1.5; City Mills Super 2.75eS3.25t do Extra 3.50a\$4; do Mills Super 2.75eS3.25t (c); Patapaso Family \$6.25 Wheat—Southern steady and quiet; Western Wheat-Southern steady and quiet; dull and lower; Southern red 10is 105; do ambei 106:103; No 2 Penna red 107; No 2 Wester winter red spot and Jan 1051; Feb 106.1011. Mar 107 bid. Corn.—Southern nominally firm, with light offerings; Western dull and steady Southern white 46:47; do yellow 45; West ramixed spot and Jan 43;a421; Feb 46:4345; Mat 44:441; April 46; steamer 40:40). Cats quies and steady; Southern 28:32; Western white 35: 31; do mixed 23:29; Penns 23:32. Rye-small offerings and nominally steady; Southern 50250. Hay steady and quiet; prime Penna and Mary land 102511 per ton. Sugar quiet; A soft 8240. Coffee quiet and nominally firm; Rio carzoes 11 a16. Whiskey quiet and easy at 100,\$100!

New York, Jan. 17.—Stocks strong. Money 22:31. Flour quiet. Wheat quiet. Corn quiet